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Method and System Constituting a Virtual Collective Entity for Market-Efficient Purchase of Goods and Services

*(Title of the Invention)*

the specification of which

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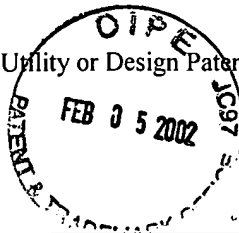
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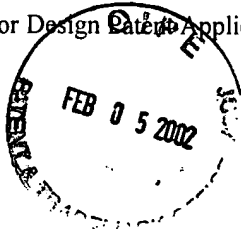
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